CR ZONE COMMENTS TO PLANNING BOARD: CRT & CRN January 6, 2011

- The Kensington Revitalization Committee met last night; this was the 47th public meeting.
- These volunteers are comprised of residents, business owners, property owners, and members of the Coalition of Kensington Communities all stakeholders in the Town who have been involved in the process over the last 3 years; and followed the various proposals for the Sector Plan and the CR zone.
- The Committee appreciates the efforts of the County Council, the Planning Board and Staff in attempting to address the Town's concerns while balancing the needs of others such as Takoma Park and Wheaton.
- We understand the development of the CRT and CRN contexts are proposed to help address Kensington's interests; and we view as positive the fact that more of these would be addressed in the zone itself and not the Master Plan.
- Kensington adopted three major goals that it wishes to see accomplished as part of this course. These goals were presented to the Planning Board in 2010 and have not changed (copies):
 - 1. Reduction in the required number of benefits to achieve max density;
 - 2. Municipal shared parking/waiver program;
 - 3. Elimination of BLTs.
- Because the proposal is still vague, and we do not know where the CRT or CRN might apply parcel wise, it is not possible to take a definite position at this time. However, it is the consensus of the Committee that it supports exploration of this proposal, subject to further discussion and refinement.
- The Town Council will not meet until next Monday January 10th on the proposed CRT and CRN zones, and will have received the recommendation of the Revitalization Committee. A resolution will be proposed to explore these new amendments in time for your January 13th meeting.

Thank you,
Peter Fosselman
Mayor, Town of Kensington